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Eminent Sirs and Sir Knights:

The Past Commanders' Association has for many years been a great help to Grand Commandery. It helps to make our Annual Conclave the success that it is, by providing us with the Past Commanders' dinner and entertainment after our Grand Conclave, to which the Commanders and their Council Officers are invited, and being the social event of the evening, it gives us all a better chance to become more acquainted with each other.

At our Semi-Annual, or Special Conclaves, they make all arrangements for our luncheons and also provide some sort of entertainment or sport which makes the day a day of business in the morning, followed by a fine social afternoon.

The Past Commanders' Association at some time during the winter months, provide us with a Past Commanders' Ladies Night. This is also one of the outstanding Templar Nights of the season. My many thanks to the Officers and members for this wonderful help and support to us in Grand Commandery.

Sir Knights, we are lagging this year in petitions as compared with the past years, but are about the same as in 1959. Sir Knights, we need petitions if we are to make any kind of an increase or showing this year. I realize that employment and conditions in some parts of our jurisdiction are not as good as they have been in past years. However, I do believe that if every Sir Knight will get behind this drive for candidates, that there are Blue Lodge and Chapter men who, if approached in the right manner, can be sold. Sir Knights, we have much to offer. Let us not sell it short. Let us work and get these petitions and once again make our quota! I believe that we should give very serious consideration and much thought before suspending an Sir Knight this year, and in the years to follow. I feel that each case should be investigated thoroughly and if found worthy, should be referred to your Charity Fund, and cared for in this way.

Remember, Sir Knights, you have promised to go barefoot and on frozen ground, a distance of forty miles to help a distressed Sir Knight.

Courteously yours,

CLARENCE E. BOOTH
Grand Commander

There seems to be some confusion or misunderstanding by some Eminent Sirs regarding the administration of the Knights Templar Educational Foundation. A folder explaining the Fund was enclosed in our Annual Conclave Notice mailed September 16, 1960. Please note the following:

REGULATION
for
THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

NAME

Section 1. This Trust Fund created by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, for the purpose of assisting by loans, worthy Boys and Girls, irrespective of race, creed, sex or color, to secure an education, thereby enabling them to become more useful members of society and better citizens of this Republic, shall be designated and known as "The Knights Templar Educational Foundation"

INCORPORATION

Section 2. The Knights Templar Educational Foundation is a Trust Fund. Grand and Subordinate Commanderies in their conduct of this Trust Fund shall be known as DIVISIONS and are not to be incorporated in their respective Jurisdictions without the consent and approval of the Grand Encampment Educational Foundation Committee.

ADMINISTRATION

Section 3. The word "Committee" unless otherwise indicated shall be understood to refer to the committee created as provided by Section 4 of these Regulations.

Section 4. (a) Each Grand Commandery shall provide a Committee to be known as "The Educational Foundation Committee, Division of the Grand Commandery of (state)" and through such committee shall administer the funds allocated to the Grand Commandery in accordance with the direction of the Grand Encampment and these regulations.

Section 5. The funds allocated to Grand Commanderies for administration through their respective Division Committees, being trust funds, such Grand Commanderies assume the legal status and obligations of agents of the Trustees.

For further information, see attached folder.

George A. Weeks
Secretary for the Trustees

Section 22. The maximum loan will be: \$600. when one scholastic year is required to complete the course; \$400. per year when two scholastic years are required to complete the course; \$400. each of the last two years when three to four years are required to complete a course; \$800. maximum loan to any one student.

Statistics compiled as of January 1, 1961 by our Co-Chairman of Membership for Massachusetts, James C. Bayley, on the Massachusetts Commanderies are shown below. The Commanderies are listed on percentage of their membership to that of the Chapter or Chapters in their Jurisdiction. Chapters have been divided into two groups: A Chapters, which meet in the same places as the Commanderies, and B Chapters, which meet elsewhere but within the respective jurisdictions of the Commanderies. The membership Total has been reduced to 75% in the case of B Chapters. Adjustments have been made in cases of joint jurisdiction. More detailed information on these statistics will be given to you shortly.

Commandery	Chapter		Membership		Total	Commandery Membership	% of Candidates
	A	B	Chapter	Chapter			
Boston	1½	2+	876	586	1462	1221	83.5%
Hugh dePayens	1	1	579	105	684	577	82.9%
Haverhill	1	0	484	0	484	394	81.4%
Ivanhoe	1	1	261	75	336	260	77.4%
Bethany	1	0	194	0	194	149	76.8%
Jerusalem	1	1	275	135	410	304	74.1%
Gethsemane	1	1+	396	240	636	471	74.1%
St. Andrew	1	0	232	0	232	163	70.3%
Athol	1	0	195	0	195	128	65.6%
Orange	1	0	107	0	107	69	64.5%
St. Paul	1	1	109	57	166	107	64.5%
Palestine	1	½	268	76	344	213	61.9%
De Molay	2½	3+	716	632	1348	823	61.1%
Pilgrim	1	0	531	0	531	314	59.2%
Old Colony	1	1½	261	102	363	215	59.2%
Springfield	1	4	514	332	846	495	58.5%
Bethlehem	1	½	258	54	312	180	57.7%
South Shore	1	1	191	82	273	155	56.8%
Reading	1	½	467	105	572	323	56.5%
Temple	1	0	349	0	349	196	56.1%
Godfrey de Bouillon	1	0	229	0	229	128	55.9%
Connecticut Valley	1	0	239	0	239	133	55.6%
Beauseant	1	1	331	237	568	312	54.8%
Newburyport	1	2	249	320	569	311	54.5%
Berkshire	1	1	391	135	526	284	54.0%
Trinity	0	2	0	356	356	191	53.7%
St. Omer	2	0	566	0	566	299	52.8%
Natick	1	1+	330	211	543	285	52.5%
Bay State	1	2½	439	284	723	372	51.3%
Worcester County	2	5	907	505	1412	712	50.4%
Milford	1	2	232	107	339	171	50.4%
Sutton	1	7	408	790	1198	556	46.4%
Cambridge	1	0	329	0	329	145	44.1%
Sir Galahad	1	1	211	162	373	163	43.7%
Cyprus	1	1	176	193	369	161	43.7%
Bristol	1	3½	213	443	656	272	41.5%
Winslow Lewis	1	1½	252	259	511	200	39.1%
Northampton	1	2	158	196	354	114	32.2%
Olivet	1	2	504	302	806	418	30.5%
Quincy	2	0	1136	0	1136	289	25.4%
			14563	7367	21930	12273	56.0%

JAMES C. BAYLEY, Co-Chairman

Name of Commandery	Quota	4 Mos.	Jan.	Total
St. John's	39	4	0	4
Boston	75	12	3	15
Newburyport	21	6	0	6
Washington	6	2	0	2
Worcester County	48	21	5	26
Springfield	33	10	0	10
De Molay	55	16	6	22
Holy Sepulchre	24	1	3	4
Pilgrim	21	11	0	11
Palestine	14	3	0	3
Milford	11	0	0	0
St. Bernard	6	2	1	3
Calvary	39	4	0	4
Haverhill	26	11	6	17
Old Colony	14	3	0	3
Sutton	37	1	2	3
Bethany	10	7	0	7
Winslow Lewis	13	4	0	4
Jerusalem	20	10	0	10
Hugh de Payens	39	2	1	3
St. Omer	20	1	0	1
Berkshire	19	22	1	23
Conn. Valley	9	0	0	0
Woonsocket	10	7	0	7
Godfrey deBouillon	9	0	1	1
Joseph Warren	11	0	0	0
Narragansett	13	3	0	3
Bristol	18	5	1	6
Northampton	8	0	0	0
South Shore	10	9	0	9
Trinity	13	2	0	2
Natick	19	2	0	2
Coeur de Lion	25	8	2	10
Gethsemane	31	7	2	9
Olivet	28	1	1	2
Athol	9	0	0	0
Bay State	25	5	0	5
Cyprus	11	7	3	10
St. Paul	7	1	0	1
Beauseant	21	0	3	3
Cambridge	10	8	0	8
Bethlehem	12	5	2	7
Orange	5	2	0	2
Ivanhoe	17	0	0	0
Quincy	19	2	0	2
Temple	13	5	6	11
St. Andrew	11	2	2	4
Reading	22	6	1	7
Thomas Smith Webb	13	3	0	3
Sir Galahad	11	0	0	0
Totals	1000	243	52	295

1960-1961 Monthly Objective
Necessary to Reach Quota

	<u>Obj.</u>	<u>Act.</u>		
Sept.	52	47		
Oct.	137	92		
Nov.	76	44		
Dec.	91	60		
Jan.	104	52		
Feb.	138			
Mar.	118			
Apr.	126			
May	82			
June	76			
<u>Accumulative</u>				
	<u>Obj.</u>	<u>Act.</u>		
Sept.	52	47		
Oct.	189	139		
Nov.	265	183		
Dec.	356	243		
Jan.	460	295		
Feb.	598			
Mar.	716			
Apr.	842			
May	924			
June	1000			
<u>Comparison</u>				
	<u>1961</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1958</u>
Sept.	47	44	19	45
Oct.	133	168	96	140
Nov.	183	221	141	221
Dec.	243	306	225	269
Jan.	295	383	293	349
Feb.		492	419	430
Mar.		608	495	511
Apr.		678	619	613
May		721	688	693
June		769	768	744

Sir Knights:

At the halfway mark Berkshire Commandery with 121% of quota, is all alone. However, irrepressible Cyprus has 91% of quota, South Shore 90%, Cambridge 80% and Bethany and Woonsocket 70% each. Berkshire will soon have company! What are you doing for your Commandery? You can't have a good year with a loss in membership. You can't make progress by standing still. You can't get petitions without work. BUT -You can get petitions. You can build membership. You can make sure your Commandery will have a good year. Will you do it?

J. Leroy Jones, Director

Membership Progress & Publicity